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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

Subject: Contact with CASSOWARY 2 on 31 October and 1 November 1952

Present: CASSOWARIES 2, 4 and 15, and []c, SR

1. In view of the fact that CASSOWARY 2 has been under constant attack from his enemies for being a German collaborator, he should like to get himself cleared of the accusations. The following are the ways he has suggested:

a. Contact and debriefing of Oberschahrführer (fmu) WURM who was one of the Gestapo officials in Lemberg (Lvov) during World War II. At this time he had been 35 to 40 years old and was quoted as saying that he would give "his right arm" if he would have LEBED delivered to him. There are no other data on WURM.

b. Contact and debriefing of (fmu) MÜLLER, another Gestapo official of Lemberg during the war. There was a rumor that MÜLLER may possibly have been killed in Slovakia sometime towards the end of the war. There are no identifying data on MÜLLER outside of the fact that he had large pouches under his eyes.

c. Contact and debriefing of Major (fmu) SCHENK who was the Chief of SD for the district of Galicia. During his last trip to Europe, CASSOWARY 2 met Major SCHENK in Munich, where the latter told him that the SD records for the district of Galicia were captured by the Americans. These Archives had been in triplicate but the other two copies had been destroyed during the war. CASSOWARY 2 claims that the captured Archives are now in the United States and that the younger DALLIN is attempting to get them through Columbia University. It would be quite advisable for CIA to obtain these records since they would reflect the actual state of affairs regarding the collaborators, the UPA, LEBED, the BANDEROVTSI, etc.

2. CASSOWARY 2 is somewhat worried about the Foreign Agent's Registration Act; although he is perfectly willing to register, he is afraid that there are certain questions which he will be at a loss to answer. For an example: The people with whom he cooperates; where his money comes from; what contacts he has with people in the USSR, etc. For this reason the undersigned will attempt to get the different types of forms from [] []

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[] (who is CIA contact with the Justice Department and the FARS) in order to determine the best method of filling them out.

3. LEBED has a DP Identification Card made out in the name in which he came to the United States, i.e., Roman TURAN. Since this is the card which identifies every DP he is afraid that one day he may get into trouble since he has legally changed his name with the Immigration Department but his ID Card reflects the alias. The undersigned will work through I & S and will attempt to get a new ID card officially.

4. In view of the fact that the undersigned took a rather negative attitude towards the organization of the Cadre School, pointing out that money for it had not been approved as yet, CASSOWARY 2 showed some concern, saying that he felt that if this project fell through, CASSOWARY 3 would probably become alienated.

5. CASSOWARY 4 has been making contact with former UPA men and maintains that these would be more than glad to participate in any "ranger training" and with that under their belt they might be willing to volunteer missions into the "homeland".

6. The CASSOWARIES wondered how "DYNAMO" (Dave MURPHY) was coming along with recruitment of new men for current operations.

7. Because the magazine New Leader has made some serious accusations against CASSOWARY 2 he intends to take this matter to Court. The undersigned will attempt to talk him out of this situation since, if he did go to Court, much operational information would become common property.

8. The new "Soviet Information Group" is at work and we may expect to see the first fruits of its labors coming in perhaps the latter part of December.

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